

The Maricopa County Air Quality Department (MCAQD) will conduct a public workshop to seek your input on its revised Dust Control Permit Application. The public workshop will be held:

Friday, August 1, 2008
9:00 a.m.
2801 West Durango Street, Phoenix
Dreamy Draw meeting room of the Flood Control District of Maricopa
County, Operations Building

A copy of the draft application package will be made available as soon as possible next week in a separate email as well as online in the 2008 Rulemaking Meetings Calendar at:
http://www.maricopa.gov/aq/divisions/planning_analysis/quarterly_notices/Default.aspx.

The draft application may look different than the application that is being used now, but the content is largely the same. The structure was changed to facilitate ease of use while some content was aligned to match recent changes in the MCAQD Rule 310, Fugitive Dust from Dust-Generating Operations. Some changes are listed below:

- The Dust Control Permit Application is now combined with the Dust Control Permit Application Guidance. The guidance section was streamlined and added to the front of the application. This portion of the document is now referred to as the “Instructions” but still retains some of the original guiding principles.
- Repeat users of the application have a quick glance on page two at recent changes to rules and fees while first time users can use the new list of FAQs and simple checklist as they begin working on the application.
- The result is one package that is made up of three distinct but ultimately connected parts including:
 1. Instructions
 2. Permit Application
 3. Dust Control Plan
- Some lengthy technical passages (e.g. the section on dust suppressants and caliche) were consolidated into an appendix to improve readability of the application. Additional information on these subjects will be available online in the Dust Compliance section of the MCAQD website.
- Check boxes have replaced circling of items for clarity and also in anticipation of the document being available as a PDF that can be filled in on your computer in addition to doing so by hand.

Comments on the draft application will be accepted at my email or phone number below until Friday, August 8, 2008. At that time they will be integrated into the package as appropriate and a second workshop will be scheduled if necessary for Thursday, August 28, 2008.